



Michigan Supreme Court: No Health Benefits For G/L Partners

LANSING, Michigan (Observer Update) Local governments and state universities in Michigan can't offer health insurance to the partners of Gay workers, the state Supreme Court ruled Wednesday (May 7).

The court ruled 5-2 that Michigan's 2004 ban against Gay marriage also blocks domestic-partner policies affecting Gay employees at the University of Michigan and other public-sector employers. The decision affirms a February 2007 appeals court ruling.

Up to 20 public universities, community colleges, school districts and local governments in Michigan have benefit policies covering at least 375 Gay couples. After the appeals court ruled, universities and local governments rewrote their policies to try to comply with the Gay marriage ban - so the effect of the decision is unclear.

The new policies no longer specifically acknowledge domestic partnerships but make sure "other qualified adults," including Gay partners, are eligible for medical and dental care. The adults have to live together for a certain amount of time, be unmarried, share finances and be unrelated.

The voter-approved law, which

passed 59 percent to 41 percent, says the union between a man and woman is the only agreement recognized as a marriage "or similar union for any purpose."

Justice Stephen Markman, writing for the majority, said that while marriages and domestic partnerships aren't identical, they are similar.

Dissenting Justices Michael Cavanaugh and Marilyn Kelly said the constitutional amendment prohibits nothing more than same-sex marriages or similar unions. They argued that circumstances surrounding the election suggest Michigan voters didn't intend to take away people's benefits.

Republican Attorney General Mike Cox in 2005 interpreted the measure to make unconstitutional existing domestic partner policies at the city of Kalamazoo and elsewhere.

Twenty-one Gay couples sued, saying the amendment was about marriage and preserving the status quo - not taking away benefits from Gays. Democratic Gov. Jennifer Granholm has sided with the couples.

(Read Deb Price's commentary on the court decision in this week's Observer.)

Uproar Turns Straight Bar Into Gay Hot Spot

SCOTTSDALE (Observer Update) - On a recent Saturday night at the Scottsdale club Forbidden, well-dressed, sweaty men are three-deep at the bar and fill the red, glittery dance floor. Outside, the line snakes up the block and the wait can run more than an hour, reported the Arizona Republic.

For 25 years, this was Anderson's Fifth Estate, a rock and new wave dance club. But a year after resolving a highly publicized battle with the Transgender community, owner Tom Anderson has transformed Forbidden into the Valley's premier club for the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community.

New pink lights now edge the roofline, casting a flattering glow on the overflowing patio. Inside, the red and black zebra-covered booths are jammed with men in T-shirts that pull across their muscled chests. Equally muscled shirtless bartenders shake martinis with names such as the Swedish Lick and Naked Poolside.

In jeans and with purposefully mussy hair Bryan Dockter, 24, of Mesa, once waited for 30 minutes before someone let him cut to get in early. He figures he would have been in line for another hour. "It's my favorite place to go," he said.

said he doesn't care about the controversy. Forbidden is the place to be right now. "I actually think it's brave they tried a Gay bar because they're straight owners," he says, "and they did a great job."

Lines rarely formed at the former Anderson's, which had been declining since its late-'90s heyday.

Then in 2006, Anderson asked a Transgendered woman, Michele de LaFreniere, to leave his club after women complained about men in dresses standing up to use toilets in the women's restroom. De LaFreniere, who had been to the club many times without incident, then filed a claim of sex discrimination with the Arizona attorney general.

For more than a year afterward, Anderson was the subject of dozens of newspaper and television stories pitting him against the GLBT community and its allies. He became known as the club owner who kicked out a Transgendered woman.

This happened as people were questioning whether Scottsdale was becoming hostile toward the GLBT community, after a Gay couple was assaulted outside a restaurant and after Mayor Mary Manross refused to observe GLBT month in June, instead,

Marriage Amendment Approved In Arizona House Faces Senate Vote



Rep. Kyrsten Sinema, D-Phoenix

By Mark R. Kerr



Rep. Steve Yarbrough, R-Chandler

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PHOENIX (Observer Update) - After twenty days of delays, on Monday, May 12, the Arizona House of Representatives approved Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 1042, a proposed state constitutional amendment to define marriage as between "one man and one woman."

Proponents of SCR 1042 stated during the House Third Reading session that state law (A.R.S. 25-101, A.R.S. 25-112) already limits marriage in Arizona to one man and one woman. Both statutes have been on the books since 1996 when the Arizona Legislature passed a state "Defense of Marriage Act."

A.R.S. 25-101 and A.R.S. 25-112 was challenged in the court case Standhardt V. Superior Court in 2003, and was upheld by the state Court of Appeals, a decision the state Supreme Court refused to overturn when they did not hear the appeal in 2004.

Despite state law and court precedent, proponents continue to prop the assumption that the only solution to ensuring that marriage remains only as "one man and one woman" is by putting the definition into the Arizona state constitution, state Representative Steve Yarbrough, R-Chandler, said during the meeting.

"The people of Arizona, not politicians and not judges, need to determine the future of marriage in our state," he said. "This is not some made-up problem. On the contrary, this amendment will provide a real solution to a real problem."

Opponents have argued that the existing law makes the amendment unnecessary and that it insults Lesbians and Gays and represents an attempt to exploit marriage for political purposes.

"This is a political ploy to be used in November and I believe it is inappropriate to use marriage as a political ploy," said Rep. Kyrsten Sinema,

Representative Sinema tried to derail it by invoking an obscure House rule requiring a special committee review of measures deemed to be either an inappropriate subject of legislation or containing "insulting or derogatory" language but the the House Rules Committee resulted in a 6-4 vote finding that the resolution didn't violate House rules.

By a vote of 33-25, with two absent, SCR 1042 was approved by the Arizona House.

Thirty One Republicans - Kirk Adams, Mark Anderson, Ray Barnes, Nancy K. Barto, Andy Biggs, Tom Boone, Judy Burges, Doug Clark, Rich Crandall, Sam Crump, Adam Driggs, Eddie Farnsworth, Trish Groe, John Kavanagh, Bill Konopnicki, Lucy Mason, Marian McClure (of Tucson), John McComish, Nancy McLain, Rick Murphy, John Nelson, Warde Nichols, Jonathan Paton (of Tucson), Russell Pearce, Michele Reagan, Bob Robson, Bob Stump, Andrew Tobin, Jerry Weiers, Steven Yarbrough and House Speaker Jim Weiers and two Democrats - Jack Brown and Pete Rios, voted for SCR 1042.

Barbara McCullough-Jones, executive director of Equality Arizona, the statewide LGBT rights organization said, "With their yes votes on SCR 1042, 33 Members of the Arizona House of Representatives said they want more litigation that threatens to take away domestic benefits from unmarried couples. Thirty-three Members want to force Arizona voters to vote again on an issue that has already been decided - by the Legislature, by the Courts, and by the Voters. Thirty-three members caved to the pressure of anti-equality and anti-domestic partner forces and voted to perpetuate the politics of division. However, by their vote today, these 33 Members have strengthened our resolve to flip the House and gain the

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25th Annual International AIDS Candlelight Memorial May 18

TUCSON (Observer Update) - The 25th Annual International AIDS Candlelight Memorial will take place on May 18 at Himmel Park in solidarity with memorials and events worldwide.

The theme, "Never Give Up, Never Forget", creates a hopeful outlook despite the alarming statistics. This will also be the 10th AIDS Candlelight Memorial in Tucson. SAAF's AIDS Timeline will be displayed alongside locally crafted quilts. Individuals will be sharing the journey by means of music, song, dance and reflections. Seh Welch, Director of HIV/AIDS Services and co-founder of ACT-UP, will be Master of Ceremonies. The Memorial will start at 6 pm. The lighting of the candles will begin around 7:30 pm (dusk). Please bring a blanket and/or lawn chair.

The memorial is sponsored by Native Images, Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF), Tucson's Human Relations Commission, Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network (TIHAN), The Volunteer Center of Southern AZ and Wingspan. The International AIDS Candlelight Memorial, a program of the Global Health Council, is among the world's oldest movements for HIV/AIDS remembrance, awareness and community action.

The Candlelight Memorial is more than just a memorial. This is an opportunity to educate about AIDS, advocate for policy change, foster partnerships and community dialogue, and improve skills for community mobilization. With 33 million people estimated to be infected worldwide and Tucson ranked 73rd in major US metro areas in the number of AIDS cases, the Candlelight serves as an important community intervention, breaking down social barriers, and giving hope to future generations.

For more information, contact Ari Kelly, Director of Education & Community Relations, ari@tihan.org or (520) 299-6647.

Around The Old Pueblo

Marketing to the Gay Community on the Internet? Looking for valuable insights? A competitive edge? Matthew Skallerud, the founder of GayWired.com, will lead a presentation at Wingspan's Anzaldua Room, 425 E. 7th St., 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., about some of the latest trends in making outreach to consumers using the latest Web 2.0 tools including MySpace, FaceBook, Blogs, Gadgets & Widgets, YouTube, RSS/XML and more. Find out how and why other companies are utilizing these technologies to get the word out to consumers online, and discover more about some of the unique opportunities in the GLBT Web 2.0 space in targeting Gays & Lesbians online. For more information, go online to pinkbananamedia.com/seminar.cfm. ...

Join the Monday series of free quit tobacco classes for LGBT people and allies. Two separate series of classes are scheduled. One will be begin Friday, May 2 at 5:30 p.m.; the other on Monday, May 12 at 7:30 p.m. All classes will be held at Wingspan, 425 E. 7th St. Class #1 starts Friday, May 2, 5:30-6:30pm; meets weekly for six weeks. Class #2 starts Monday, May 12, 7:30-8:30pm; meets weekly for six weeks. This class includes support for quitting and, for a limited time only, you'll get free nicotine replacement (patches, gum, or lozenges) for three full months. There's never been a better time to quit. To register, contact Michael Woodward, Wingspan Health & Wellness Programs Manager, at (520) 624-1779, x117 or mwoodward@wingspan.org.

Senior Pride Brunch Potluck - Bring a dish to share and enjoy the company of your peers at this informal and pleasurable brunch. Feel free to invite your friends, family and allies and let's enjoy a May morning together. We'll meet on Saturday, May 17, from 10:30 to noon, at the First Congregational United Church of Christ, 1350 N. Arcadia (north of Speedway, east of Swan). To make sure we don't have all desserts (why not!), if your last name starts with A-J, bring an entrée, K-S, bring a salad/side dish and T-Z bring dessert. See you there! For more information, contact Penelope Starr, (520) 624-1779 ext. 1.

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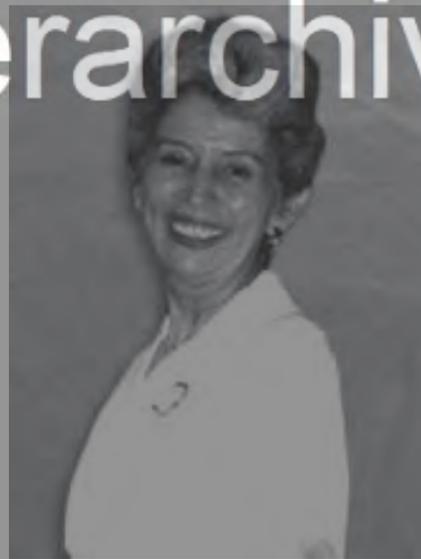


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There will be a celebration of his life at the Golden Nugget, 2617 N. 1st Avenue on May 17, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.. Please come for a potluck with stories and pictures.

AIDS Activist Elsa Burgess-Flores Dies



Elsa Burgess-Flores

DOUGLAS - A noted AIDS crusader and activist died Friday (May 9) in Douglas after a long battle with bone cancer, reported the Arizona Daily Star. Elsa Burgess-Flores died at home in Douglas. She'd first been diagnosed 14 years ago. She was 80.

Burgess-Flores had spent 19 years traveling around Southern Arizona, northern Mexico and cities across the United States to educate communities about HIV and AIDS after two sons died from complications from the disease. She wrote "Autumn Fare-well" in 1999, a book that details the experiences she and her two sons encountered. The book was published in Spanish in 2002.

Burgess-Flores spoke about AIDS and homosexuality at a time when others were afraid to do the same, said Mark Von Destinon, a close family friend who described himself as one of her "sons." "She would openly discuss homosexuality back in 1989 and 1990," Von Destinon said. "A lot of people scorned her for that."

Burgess-Flores was motivated to speak about AIDS awareness after her two sons, Matthew and Michael, died almost a year apart from AIDS complications. Matthew died Oct. 29, 1989, and Michael died Oct. 16, 1990. "That's when Elsa gave up her role as a housewife and started as an AIDS advocate," Von Destinon said.

Burgess-Flores stopped making presentations two years ago because of her failing health. She is survived by her husband, Ben; her daughter, Margie; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

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proclaiming it to be Human Relations Diversity Observance month. Anderson, who owns the club with his wife, Roberta, resolved the dispute in November 2007 by building a gender-neutral restroom.

Anderson said that during the controversy over the discrimination complaint he met with members of the GLBT community. One of the things he learned was how underserved the community was in Scottsdale, with only one bar, BS West, in the area. Anderson said he saw both a business opportunity and a chance to be part of a community he'd come to know and enjoy.

The Andersons reopened the club as Forbidden in December, a month after the resolution. The 5,500-square foot club can hold 325 people and is open five days a week, up from three when it was Anderson's Fifth Estate. Now, more than 700 people

come through on Fridays and Saturdays each, more than double what Fridays used to draw.

Wearing elaborate black eyeliner and long curls, Vanessa Jimenez, 29, frequently drives from Glendale to dance with her friends to the Black Eyed Peas' My Humps and Cyndi Lauper's Girls Just Want to Have Fun. "I came one Saturday and I just had a blast, so I've been back ever since," she says.

Anderson, who now counts de LaFreniere as a close friend, said he's relieved the Gay community has embraced the club.

"I had woken up several times at 3 or 4 a.m.," he said, "just hoping I was making the right move." De LaFreniere, a parks department employee from Scottsdale, has been several times and says she's impressed by Anderson's

commitment to the GLBT community. Forbidden has hosted events for several Gay organizations, sponsored a float in Phoenix's Pride parade in April, and will be the site of an upcoming Transgender fundraiser.

On a recent night, de LaFreniere danced in her favorite spot, by the speakers to the right of the stage, and said it felt like coming home.

"I'd always loved dancing there, before everything, and I just started crying; it just brought back all my good memories," she said.

Sam Holdren, public affairs director of Equality Arizona, the group that helped mediate the agreement between de LaFreniere and Anderson, said he's not surprised at the GLBT community's enthusiasm. "This is really the perfect ending to the story," he said. "This is really what happens when people come together to learn from each other."

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Senate in 2008."

SCR 1042 has been sent back to the Arizona Senate for a concur/refuse vote, which Arizona Senate President and current Republican candidate for Congress in CD (Congressional District) 8, Timothy Bee of Tucson will have to schedule for a vote. If approved in the Senate, this proposal will be on the November general election ballot.

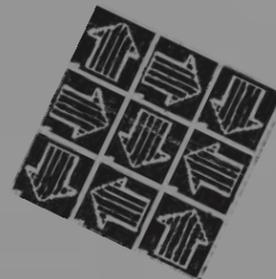
Arizona voters in 2006 turned down Proposition 107, which would have barred legal and governmental recognition of same-sex marriage, civil unions and domestic partnerships.

TIHAN Update

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SCR 1042 ACTION ALERT

By Mark R. Kerr

PHOENIX (Observer Update) - As reported in this publication, SCR (Senate Concurrent Resolution) 1042, after a twenty-day delay due to questionable support was approved Monday, May 12 by the Arizona state House of Representatives.

awaits to be scheduled for a concur/ refuse vote on the new language since the original measure was intended to honor Arizonans who served in the armed services during the Vietnam War.

SCR 1042 would, if approved by the Arizona Senate, place a proposed state constitutional amendment defining marriage as between "one man and one woman."

Let your Senator(at the number and E-maillisted below or use their toll free line (800) 352-8404 and dial in the last five digits to get their office) and let them know Arizona law (Arizona Revised Statutes 25-101 and A.R.S. 25-112 covers this and has been on the books since 1996 and has been upheld in court in the case of Standhardt V. Superior Court (2004).

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U.S. Representative Vito Fossella, R-New York

Washington, D.C. (Observer Update) - Rep. Vito Fossella of New York ran a red light, and wrecked his life. A drunk-driving arrest led to talk of an extramarital affair, and then finally an admission of a child from that affair, 365Gay.com reported.

"My personal failings and imperfections have caused enormous pain to the people I love and I am truly sorry," said Fossella, a Republican, who lives in his Staten Island, N.Y., district with his wife and their three children.

Fossella is the only Republican member of Congress from New York City, and the paternity revelation could lead to the loss of a seat in Congress at a time when the House GOP faces the possibility of a second grim November of election setbacks.

In Congress Fossella voted in favor of a constitutional amendment that would bar same-sex marriage and against the Matthew Shepard Act which would add Gay under hate crime law. Fossella's vote are interesting since it has been reported he has an openly Lesbian sister who he has allegedly shunned at all family gatherings.

Fossella's private life came under scrutiny after he was arrested in the Virginia suburbs of Washington for allegedly driving drunk. Police said they stopped him after he drove through a red light.

When Fossella was pulled over, police said he told officers that he was going to see his daughter in the

area. That prompted questions about who the daughter was.

"I have had a relationship with Laura Fay, with whom I have a 3-year-old daughter," Fossella said in his statement. It was Fay who got him out of jail after the arrest. She is a former Air Force lieutenant colonel and worked for a time as a liaison to Congress.

Police said Fossella's blood-alcohol level was twice the legal limit, and he could face a mandatory five days in jail if convicted. A court appearance on the drunken driving arrest that had been planned for next week was canceled, and he is now not expected back in court until June.

Fossella said he had no immediate plans to resign. He faced a surprisingly tough re-election challenge in 2006, and Democrats have been hoping to unseat him this year. "While I understand that there will be many questions, including those about my political future, making any political decisions right now are furthest from my mind. Over the coming weeks and months, I will continue to do my job and I will work hard to heal the deep wounds I have caused," he said.

There was little support from leaders of his party for him to remain but he has announced his intention to run for reelection.

"He's politically dead. The only thing that hasn't happened is the autopsy report hasn't been written," said Doug Muzzio, a professor of

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Fossella, 43, was elected to Congress in 1997 in a special election to

replace Rep. Susan Molinari, who resigned. His socially conservative positions squared nicely with his largely Catholic district. He serves as a member of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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POLITICS 2008

by Mark R. Kerr

Real Problems

During discussion over Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 1042, state Representative Steve Yarbrough, R-Chandler, who is a divorce attorney during his off-hours from the Legislature, said that same-sex marriage was a "... not some made-up problem ..."

Oh really Steve, the real problem:

Are the thirty-one House Republicans: Kirk Adams, Mark Anderson, Ray Barnes, Nancy Barto, Andy Biggs, Tom Boone, Judy Burges, Doug Clark, Rich Crandall, Sam Crump, Adam Driggs, Eddie Farnsworth, Trish Groe, John Kavanagh, Bill Konopnicki, Lucy Mason, Marian McClure, John McComish, Nancy McLain, Rick Murphy, John Nelson, Warde Nichols, Jonathan Paton, Russell Pearce, Michele Reagan, Bob Robson, Bob Stump, Andrew Tobin, Jerry Weiers, Steven Yarbrough, and Jim Weiers who could move mountains to get this approved, despite current state law (A.R.S. 25-101 and A.R.S. 25-112 - approved and signed into law in 1996), court precedent (Standhardt v. Superior Court in 2004), voters already having their say (Proposition 107 in 2006 - going down to defeat) but can't put a budget together for the state government for the next fiscal year;

Are those individuals who have been in the state legislature for such a long time, like Democrats Pete Rios and Jack Brown who have now voted for this measure and the state law in 1996, showing that their vote then was wrong;

The fake "concern over traditional marriage" when there is the federal Defense of Marriage Act on the books plus other laws discrimination against people (men and women) over the age of 60 getting hitched and yet not one frapin outcry is made over that;

Are the comments made by so-

called moderates, such as current state Representative and potential Congressional District 5 Republican candidate, Michele Reagan of Phoenix, who called SCR 1042 "insulting" and who didn't sign onto the original measure but voted in favor of the Concurrent Resolution on Monday, May 12.

Are state Representatives, such as Marion McClure, R-Tucson, who proclaim their "Christianity" and her support of "traditional values" on the House floor before voting because they are running for higher office, in her case the Arizona Corporation Commission, and then vote for such a hateful measure to get a free-ride (for Cathi Herrod and the Center for Arizona Policy to the tune of \$500,000) on the November ballot while a worthwhile initiative, prohibiting payday loan and check cashing centers, can't get the signatures and is being spearheaded by state Representative Marion McClure, who has been the target of the Christian-right controlled Legislative District Republican party organization since her first run and,

The voters who continue to send these individuals back to 1700 West Washington to waste the state's time on measures ranging from guns on school campuses to horse tripping to botox injection regulation wasting taxpayer dollars.

Those are just some of the real problems Arizona has to deal with, every January through June roughly but thanks to these myopic, hair-brained individuals alleged upholding state law and serving the general public, another ballot measure, wasting time and more importantly funds is another problem on the horizon and with the recent court decision in Michigan, these actions are a real problem for those living with or affected by a domestic partners ordinance or benefits in the cities, towns and private sector that they live under.

Statue To Honor Slain Gay S.F. Politician



Harvey Milk

SAN FRANCISCO, California (Observer Update) - A bronze bust of the first openly Gay man to hold a prominent elected office in the United States is going up in City Hall, more than 28 years after he was assassinated, 365Gay.com reported. The statue to Harvey Milk will be unveiled at San Francisco City Hall on May 22 - on what would have been Milk's 78th birthday.

Milk was elected to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in 1977 and shot to death a year later, along with Mayor George Moscone, by fellow supervisor Dan White. White was convicted of manslaughter, and served a little more than three years in prison

before committing suicide. In the years since his death, Milk has become the most recognizable martyr of the Gay rights movement. The effort to honor the politician began in 2001 when the San Francisco Board of Supervisors passed a resolution supporting a memorial.

Money to create the sculpture was raised by Harvey Milk City Hall Memorial Committee. It took four years to reach the goal and then a national competition was launched to find an artist. In January 2007 a panel of community leaders and arts professionals selected three finalists. Maquettes of their designs were displayed for community comment in City Hall and the panel, with overwhelming public support, chose Daub, Firmin, and Hendrickson Sculpture Group as the winning team. Last month the San Francisco Arts Commission formally approved the placement of the sculpture in the Ceremonial Rotunda in City Hall. The bronze sculpture will sit atop a stone base inscribed with a quote from one of his most famous speeches. "his tribute to Harvey Milk is long overdue... it is indeed time for his legacy to be commemorated with a place of honor and distinction in San Francisco's City Hall." said Mayor Gavin Newsom in a statement. The official unveiling will be open to the public.

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Abstract Art Comes To Journalism

If I write something and you cannot tell what I am saying, cannot see the picture I am drawing with my words, you do not call it 'abstract writing'; you call it bad writing.

Of course, that's just the way it is because of the precision of words; it is the nature of writing to clarify, not obfuscate, right?

Oddly, there is a large and proud cadre of writers on this planet whose job it is to write things and paint a picture that is not accurate. Rather, they are paid to draw conclusions that are not supported by fact, present them in such an artful and 'abstract' manner as to make it appear that what they are saying is true.

I allude most directly to the Wall Street Journal.

It has been my privilege to make the intimate acquaintance of a number of intelligent people with whom I have differences of 'point of view'. I say it this way because I do not think that we actually have any differences of consequence in matters moral; we just have a different point of view (they read the Wall Street Journal) which results in a different end view on various matters.

Take 'What Women Want'.

My point of reference, vis-a-vis women and what they may want, comes from canvassing (sometimes against my will, I admit) the views of various women who, from time to time, have tried to get what they want out of me. Not being a woman myself, I am hampered somewhat in my abilities to get this stuff right on my own and find I am required to listen, not tell.

The Wall Street Journal is onto this too. Being smart guys over there, they are down with the idea of the survey. They also know that the interpretation of any survey can give various results; it just takes a little intellectual dishonesty to get 'em. That is no problem for The Journal; the paycheck and the grand feeling of superiority they must get from misinterpreting facts to provide justification to their troubled readers provides the incentive...training in the art of debate from a college or university provides the expertise and the Devil does the rest.

Here's the scoop.

The Journal surveyed some women. I do not doubt that proper protocol was followed. The results are not surprising; only the Journal's interpretation is at question.

The Journal found, when they asked women to list the things that were important to them, in the order of that importance, that women value things like family and health first.

They don't get down to wanting 'equal pay for equal work until a few lines down. Very close to the top, but not quite number one. This is all the 'men' at the Journal need; with this survey and a little intellectual dishonesty, they can help hold the line on the "tire old litany" of equal pay for equal work.

Clearly, says the Journal, hiding a Cheshire smile, equal pay for equal work is unimportant....women want time with the family first...they don't mention equal pay as number one.....so there is no need to service this terrible wrong....women don't care...well, then why, we don't have to pay them!

What a revelation! What a scoop! Thank the Gods for the insightful and intelligent writers and editors at the Wall Street Journal.

By their logic, since women don't mention it at the very top of the list, I'm guessing that the Barons at the Journal would not consider it amiss to grab a little booty from the underpaid 'Executive Assistant'...I mean, if it were important to them, they would say so right upfront, yes?

Intellectual dishonesty from a well-paid journalist is probably all we can expect. It certainly is what we get from the smart-but-morally-bankrupt editorialists at the Journal.

For more miss-information and the good news on the infinite planetary resources, the real causes of poverty, et al, get a copy of the Journal today. Don't buy it. Steal it. It is no more dishonest and certainly within the realm of reason to attack the paper in any way one can. Dishonesty like this is nothing short of evil.

NEW YORK CITY (Observer Update) - Bravo, Apple, Showtime, HBO, Absolut, and Levi's, are the Gay-friendliest brands, while WalMart, Dunkin Donuts, Cracker Barrel, Exxon Mobil, and Samsung earn the lowest marks from Gay and Lesbian consumers, according to the 2008 Prime Access/PlanetOut Gay and Lesbian Consumer Study released.

Conducted by Clark, Martire & Bartolomeo on behalf of advertising agency Prime Access and PlanetOut Inc. (Nasdaq: LGBT), the survey is one of the largest and most comprehensive surveys of Gay and Lesbian consumer habits and brand perceptions. A total of 2,259 adults aged 18-64 participated in the study, which was broken down into two panels: general population (1,502 respondents) and Gay and Lesbian population (757 respondents).

The report confirms why many of the world's most successful brands recognize that being Gay-friendly equals good business. According to the study, more than two-thirds (68%) of Gay and Lesbian consumers said they are more likely to buy from a company they

considered to be Gay-friendly, a perception they base largely on a company's advertising, followed by input from friends and the media.

The study also reveals that 71% of Gay and Lesbian consumers said they have a more favorable impression of companies or products that feature Gay imagery in their advertising. Howard Buford, president and CEO of Prime Access, noted that Levi's, one of the top Gay-friendly brands, recently featured a Gay couple in television advertising.

"The study reveals that Gays and Lesbians are fiercely loyal customers to brands they perceive as reaching out to them," said Buford. "A marketing communications program directed at the Gay and Lesbian audience can be a significant opportunity for brands to build business."



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More Hepatitis Cases Traced To Vegas Clinic

LAS VEGAS, Nevada (Observer Update) - Seventy-seven more people who were treated at a Las Vegas outpatient clinic have been diagnosed with hepatitis C, health officials said, reported the Associated Press on advocate.com. Authorities can't say for sure how the 77 people were infected, said Brian Labus, senior epidemiologist with the Southern Nevada Health District. But they know each was treated from March 2004 to January 11 this year at the Endoscopy Center of Southern Nevada.

identified earlier, seven were linked to the Endoscopy Center of Southern Nevada. The other case was traced to a sister clinic, Desert Shadow Endoscopy Center.

While 300 other patients also tested positive and were interviewed, officials determined they could have contracted the virus through other means, including intravenous drug use, blood transfusions, organ transplants, and kidney dialysis. The clinics were headed by doctors Dipak Desai and Eladio Carrera, whose Nevada medical licenses have been suspended pending hearings by the state Board of Medical Examiners. Authorities have said at least 50,000 patients may have been exposed to unsafe practices by clinic staff who reused syringes and single-use vials of medication during anesthesia.

"We know they didn't have a positive test before they went to the clinic, and now they're positive," Labus said. The reports bring the number of cases linked to clinics run by the same group of doctors to 85. In the eight cases

COMMENTARY... by Wayne Besen

The Bible Without Bile

No matter who wins the presidential election, it is quite clear that the big loser in campaign 08 is religion. By far, the most strident political voices have come from renegade reverends that seem a bit hot under the collar. These cantankerous characters (or caricatures) have transformed their houses of worship into a harbor of war ships with loose cannons lobbing invective into an otherwise serene national conversation.

The most cloying of the clergy is Barack Obama's self-promoting preacher, Rev. Jeremiah A. Wright. While he claims to represent the interests of African Americans, he may be remembered for giving a black eye to the black church, while sabotaging America's first legitimate African American presidential contender.

Wright has clearly turned the sanctuary into a sanitarium. When I see him jumping around the pulpit and flapping his wings like a chicken, I want to call Colonel Sanders, so Wright's ridiculous routine will finally come home to roost.

I'm half past fed up with hearing about how we should respect Wright and his ilk because he has an AIDS ministry and helps the poor. The good work that people do in life does not automatically negate the bad. For example, President Bush has helped fund the fight against AIDS in Africa. However, this does not cancel out his disinformation campaign against condoms, which helps increase infections. Likewise, Wright's sickening sermons are so obnoxious and divisive that they overshadow his laudable contributions.

At this point, the best thing this shameless shaman can do is continue stabbing his former parishioner in the back. The further apart they grow, the more difficult it will be for McCain to conflate the positions of Wright and Obama in political ads.

While the eyes of the nation were focused on Wright's sinful spectacle, they largely ignored a stinging denunciation of Gay unions by Hillary Clinton's church. The United Methodists voted to uphold church law that says Gay relationships are "incompatible with Christian teaching." If there was a vote opposing interracial marriages on scriptural grounds, is there any doubt Clinton would leave her church?

Clinton averted our gaze to her church's bashing of Gays by sending

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Chelsea on a Gay pub-crawl in Philadelphia. While her daughter frolicked with bar patrons pounding shots - her church took pot shots at loving same-sex couples. It would have been refreshing if the possible Democratic standard-bearer, would have taken a stand against the Gay double standard and left her church.

Of course, the "liberal media" has been so consumed with the Democratic demolition derby, that they barely noticed radical reverends on the right. Now that Rev. Jerry Falwell has departed, McCain has latched onto Rev. John Hagee to prove his conservative credentials. Hagee has called the Roman Catholic Church the "the great whore of Babylon."

Hagee also believes that God spawned Hurricane Katrina to stop a "homosexual parade there [New Orleans] on the Monday that Katrina came." This messianic meteorologist/madman appears twice daily on Trinity Broadcasting network, which reaches 75 million homes. As New York Times columnist Frank Rich saliently points out, "any 12-year-old with a laptop could have vetted this preacher in 30 seconds, tops." Unfortunately, McCain's crass political needs, trump Hagee's dirty deeds and the worrisome words he imparts to millions of worshippers.

And, of course, we must not forget Rev. Pat Robertson endorsing the multiple marriage machine, Rudy Giuliani, during his ill-fated campaign. The 700 Club host once predicted that natural disasters would destroy Orlando if the city flew Gay pride flags. He also - along with Falwell - tried to blame 911 on Gays, abortion practitioners and the ACLU.

While the politicians have worked diligently to appear mainstream, the pugnacious preachers have done nothing but sell the candidates - and the religions they represent - down the river.

It remains to be seen whether Clinton, Obama or McCain will ultimately benefit or suffer from their affiliations with ranting reverends. However, this circus-like exhibition (or, in Wright's case, theological exhibitionism) may have a lasting impact on America's image of religion.

The rhetorical inanity combined with the scriptural insanity is nothing short of a theological calamity. I can't imagine the next generation drawing inspiration from this clerical conflagration. Far from appearing as if they stand on hallowed ground, these ministers of mindless, hollow madness are driving civility and common decency into the ground.

Basking in the warm glow of the election spotlight, these pastors must feel quite popular. I'm willing, however, to bet they will ultimately lose the popular vote, as today's youth eventually walk out in droves and find churches where bile doesn't come with the Bible.

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Pop Artist Robert Rauschenberg Dies

Whitman."

Rauschenberg split his time between New York and Captiva Island in Florida, where he kept a house stocked with his own art and those of his friends.

"I like things that are almost souvenirs of a creation, as opposed to being an artwork," he said in a 1997 Harper's Bazaar interview, "because the process is more interesting than completing the stuff."

He studied painting at the Kansas City Art Institute in 1947. He later took his studies to Black Mountain College in North Carolina, where he studied under master Josef Albers, and alongside contemporary artists such as choreographer Merce Cunningham and musician John Cage. He also studied at the Art Students League in New York City.

Rauschenberg first paintings in the early 1950s comprised a series of all-white and all-black surfaces under laid with wrinkled newspaper. In later works he began making art from what others would consider junk - old soda bottles, traffic barricades, and stuffed birds and calling them "combine" paintings.

One of Rauschenberg's first and most famous combines was entitled "Monogram," a 1959 work consisting of a stuffed angora goat, a tire, a police barrier, the heel of a shoe, a tennis ball, and paint.

By the mid-1950s, he was also designing sets and costumes for dance companies and window displays for Tiffany and Bonwit Teller.

He met Jasper Johns in 1954. He and the younger artist, both destined to become world famous, became lovers and influenced each other's work. According to the book "Lives of the Great 20th Century Artists," Rauschenberg told biographer Calvin Tomkins that "Jasper and I literally traded ideas. He would say, 'I've got a terrific idea for you,' and then I'd have to find one for him."

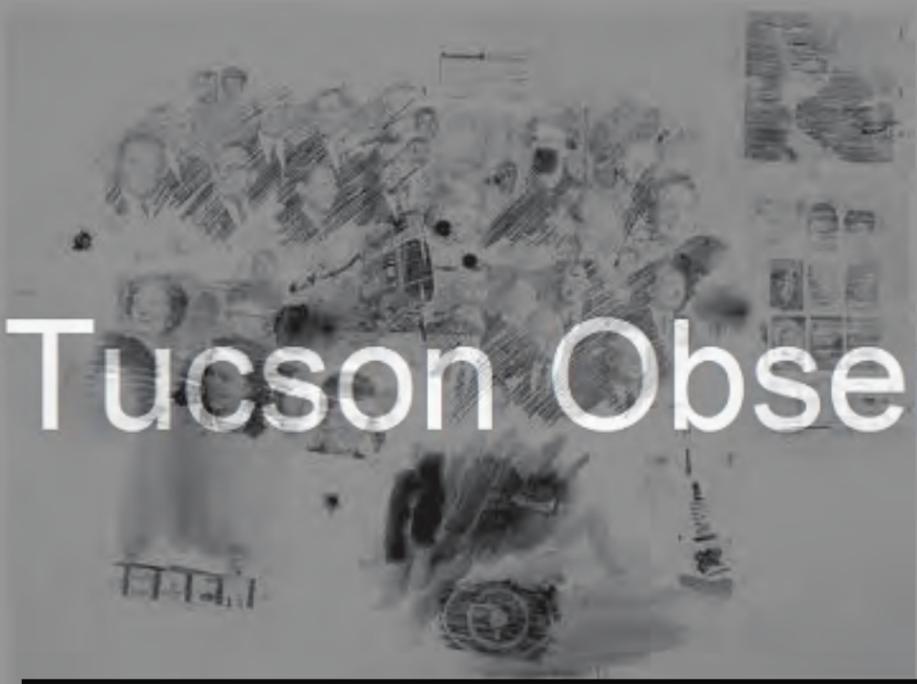
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New Cancer Support Group For LBT Women Formed

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Rauschenberg transfer drawings from the 1960s

TAMPA, Florida - Robert Rauschenberg, whose use of odd and everyday articles earned him a reputation as a pioneer in pop art but whose talents spanned the worlds of painting, sculpture and dance, has died, his gallery representative said Tuesday (May 13). He was 82, the Associated Press

Rauschenberg died Monday (May 12), said Jennifer Joy, his representative at Pace Wildensteins.

Rauschenberg, who first gained fame in the 1950s, didn't mine popular culture wholesale as Andy Warhol did with Campbell's soup cans and Roy Lichtenstein did with comic books.

Instead, his "combines," incongruous combinations of three-dimensional objects and paint, shared pop's blurring of art and objects from modern life.

He also responded to his pop colleagues and began incorporating up-to-the-minute photographed images in his works in the 1960s, including, memorably, pictures of John F. Kennedy.

Among Rauschenberg's most famous works was "Bed," created after he

woke up in the mood to paint but had no money for a canvas. His solution was to take the quilt off his bed and use paint, toothpaste and fingernail polish.

Not to be limited by paint, Rauschenberg was a sculptor and choreographer and even won a 1984 Grammy Award for best album package for the Talking Heads album "Speaking in Tongues."

"I'm curious," he said in 1997 in one of the few interviews he granted in later years. "It's very rewarding. I'm still discovering things every day."

Rauschenberg's more than 50 years in art produced a varied and prolific collection that filled both Manhattan locations of the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum during a 1998 retrospective.

Time magazine art critic Robert Hughes, in his book "American Visions," called Rauschenberg "a protean genius who showed America that all of life could be open to art. ... Rauschenberg didn't give a fig for consistency, or curating his reputation; his taste was always facile, omnivorous, and hit-or-miss, yet he had a bigness of soul and a richness of temperament that recalled Walt

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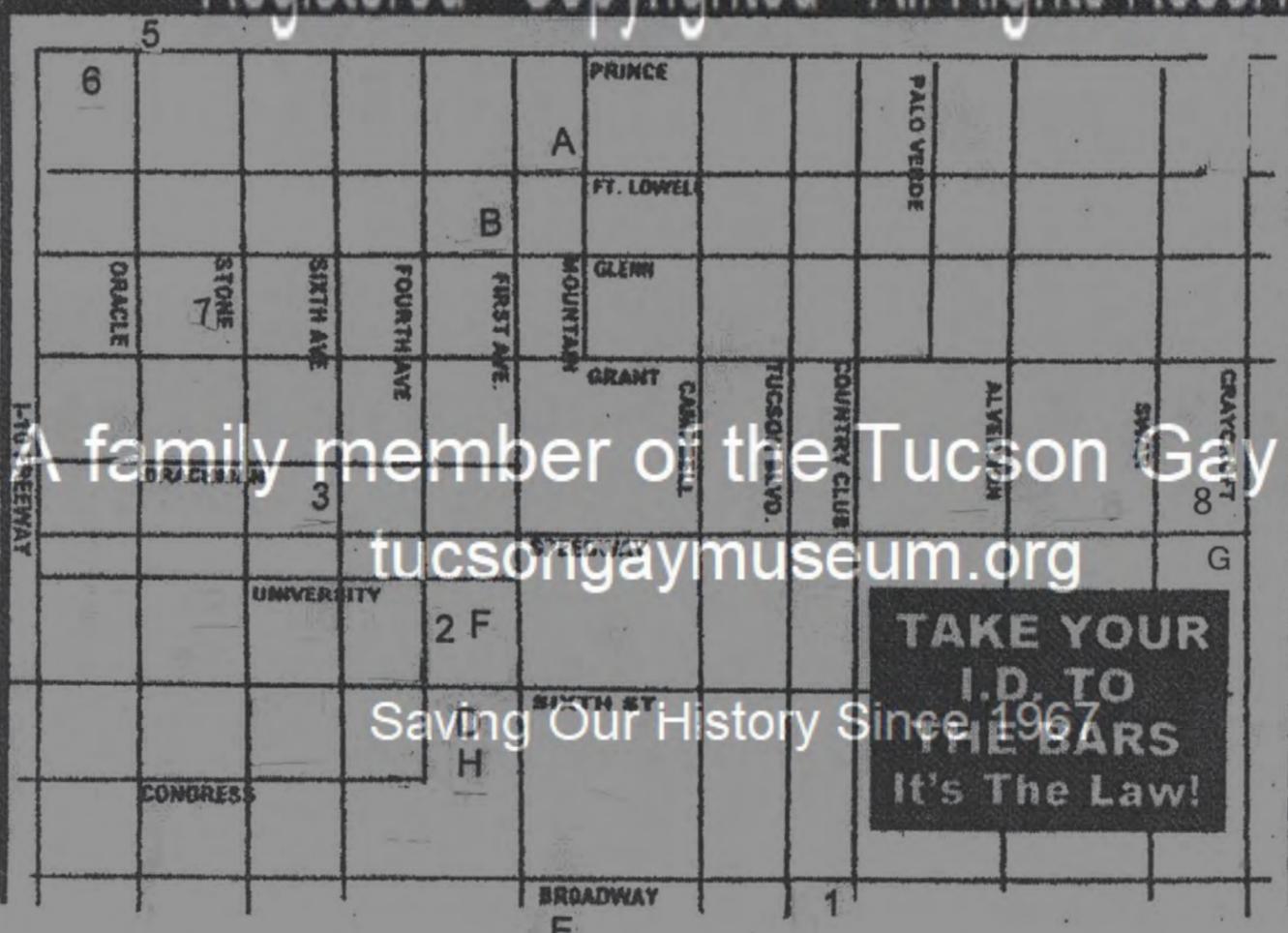
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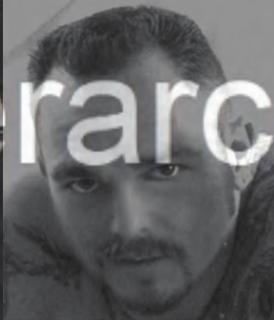


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Get on your game when feisty Mars enters regal Leo this week. Not only do you have reserves of energy just waiting to be squandered, you find others are green with envy at all you can accomplish.

ARIES (MARCH 21 - APRIL 20)

Proud Rambos ramp up their quota of fun. Your inspiration is inspired and your Gay muse is sent into overdrive. So don't sit back and contemplate your navel. Create, create, create! And don't be surprised if the week also brings party hearty times, vivacious company and even a fleeting romance. Life continues to be interesting. How interesting is entirely up to you...

TAURUS (APRIL 21 - MAY 21)

Queer Bulls are happy to stoke the home fires this week. Why search for excitement beyond your front door? Find excuses to make your home a beehive of activity. Even festering family issues can be deftly handled at this time. Enter negotiations with a clear head and the ability to see both sides of an argument. Then use unfair advantage to get things to go your way.

GEMINI (MAY 22 - JUNE 21)

Get your point of view across this week. Mars in Leo enables you to roar your best ideas at a time and place when influential and receptive ears can hear them. Not only do you get languishing projects off the ground, the best of them wind up moving on their own steam. Pink Twins are all mouth now. See how far that mouth of yours can propel you.

CANCER (JUNE 22 - JULY 23)

Your industriousness pays off this week as Mars in Leo increases your cash flow from a trickle to a deluge. As you splash your money all over town, try to capture and save a few drops for when your well is dry. Gay Crabs find that if they maintain some fiscal restraint now, they will have a nice surplus at the end of the road. It is not as taxing as you think!

LEO (JULY 24 - AUGUST 23)

Proud Lions have personality plus when Mars fires up in their own sign. You ooze even more charm and sex appeal than usual. Time is fleeting so don't sit in the corner and wait for folks to come to you. Climb the social ladder. Soon you will find yourself surrounded by movers and shakers. Move, shake and then bake with the best of them.

VIRGO (AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23)

Queer Virgins are not the most prescient of people but now your intuition is strong and grandly beneficent. There is a certain verve and panache to all your actions. Use it to your advantage; there is much to be done and not a great deal of time to do it. Grand causes call for grand designs. Pull out the blueprints and start to build your pink palace.

LIBRA (SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23)

Naturally friendly Gay Libras become a major social force as Mars enters Leo. There is something dynamic and exciting with every interaction. Not only can you command the group dynamic, you can also expand your current circle of friends into a global community. Blog it, slog it but don't hog it. Plan an extravaganza that makes the tabloids seem tame.

SCORPIO (OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22)

Proud Scorps slyly slip the power away from hungry corporate sharks this week - and not a moment too soon! You are a velvet glove wrapped around an iron fist. Fall back on charm when you are sorely tempted to scream. The secret is, of course, to avoid emotional rainstorms that can turn your successful act into ruinous rust. Think sunny thoughts and forge ahead.

SAGITTARIUS (NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22)

Want to escape? Gay Archers are offered an appealing alternative to the day to day rat race. Take a vacation if you have the time and the dough. If you're a little short on either ingredient, consider expanding and enlivening your immediate world with little interesting extras. Spicy food and or spicy company can do wonders for your frame of mind and overall disposition.

CAPRICORN (DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20)

Mars in Leo puts an extra spark in your love life. You are revving on all engines this week. Not only are pink Caps particularly sexy now, they are also fearless, confident and full of energy. Use this extra portion of charisma to entice some new admirers to your lair. Be generous, regal and benevolent. Hurry and make your skidmarks before you run out of gas.

AQUARIUS (JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19)

Harmony rules this week. What a nice change of pace! Queerians can count on the strong support of partners for whatever crazy things they may decide to do now. Hey, you can't help but feel pretty lucky. However, do not tempt the fates with outrageously destructive behavior. There are some things even the most patient and loyal relationships cannot overcome.

PISCES (FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20)

This is the week to plow ahead on any mundane job and achieve incredible results. Guppies can take the workplace by storm if they so decide. As appealing as ruler of the watercooler may sound, I advise you to put this energy into where it will have the most long lasting effect; on your fitness and diet. It's easier to play the field when your uniform fits properly.

Robert Rauschenberg Dies

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Born Milton Rauschenberg in 1925 in Port Arthur, Texas, and raised a Christian fundamentalist, Rauschenberg wanted to be a minister but gave it up because his church banned dancing.

"I was considered slow," he once said "While my classmates were reading their textbooks, I drew in the margins."

He was drafted into the U.S. Navy during World War II and knew little about art until a chance visit to an art museum where he saw his first painting at age 18. He drew portraits of his fellow sailors for them to send home.

When his time in the service was

up, Rauschenberg used the GI bill to pay his tuition at art school. He changed his name to Robert because it sounded more artistic.

In recent years he founded the organization Change Inc., which helps struggling artists pay medical bills.

"I don't ever want to go," he told Harper's when asked about dying. "I don't have a sense of great reality about the next world; my feet are too ugly to wear those golden slippers. But I'm working on my fear of it. And my fear is that something interesting will happen, and I'll miss it."

Mighty Mouse Computer Update

By Mike Pollack

TUCSON (Observer Update) - One hopes things are going well for all and that people have the chance to enjoy the current weather before the summer hits but consider the following when it comes to your computer.

Avoid Microsoft Windows Service Pack 3 update. We've had a few people have problems when they install this update, so for the moment, we're recommending not to install it. If you do install it and have a problem, we'll be able to help, so give us a call.

Have you gotten a popup saying you need to upgrade your AVG Free?. As of May 31st, 2008, Grisoft (the makers of AVG), will require that all users of their AVG Free 7.5 anti-virus software upgrade to the new 8.0 version. But don't worry they still offer the free version. You do not have to buy the Internet Security unless you want to. To get the new free version, simply go to: <http://free.grisoft.com>, download the new version, and then run the file to install it. Don't hesitate to call us if you have difficulty.

If you think high-speed is too expensive, you may be surprised. Qwest and Cox have both made lower price plans available now. Frequently the cost to switch to high-speed is only \$3 to \$5 more each month and, you get to free up your phone line, and of course, best of all, you have faster access to the internet! If you'd like help setting up a high-speed connection, or evaluating all the options, give us a call!

New Computers and Windows XP. If you're planning to get a new computer, but want to stick with Windows XP, you still have time! Until the end of June, we can build new systems using Windows XP. After June, all new systems will have Windows Vista.

New Service Packages! After talking with many of our customers, we've decided to start offering maintenance packages starting from \$42.50/month. We will custom design a maintenance schedule for your needs. Once we set up a schedule, we'll come out to your home or office on a regular interval and check for problems, clean up any spyware, verify backups, and answer questions! Maintenance benefits include: keeping your computer running fast, peace of mind, and proactive responses to problems. Call today at (520) 312-2630 for a quote!

Winner of the Joan Crawford Look-Alike Contest at Yard Dog.



Rick Reyna walked off with the winner's purse in the Joan Crawford Look-Alike contest held at the Yard Dog Sunday, May 11. "They said I beat my daughter, Christina. I never beat her. Oh, I might have burned her once or twice with a cigarette, but I never beat her!" Congratulations Rick.

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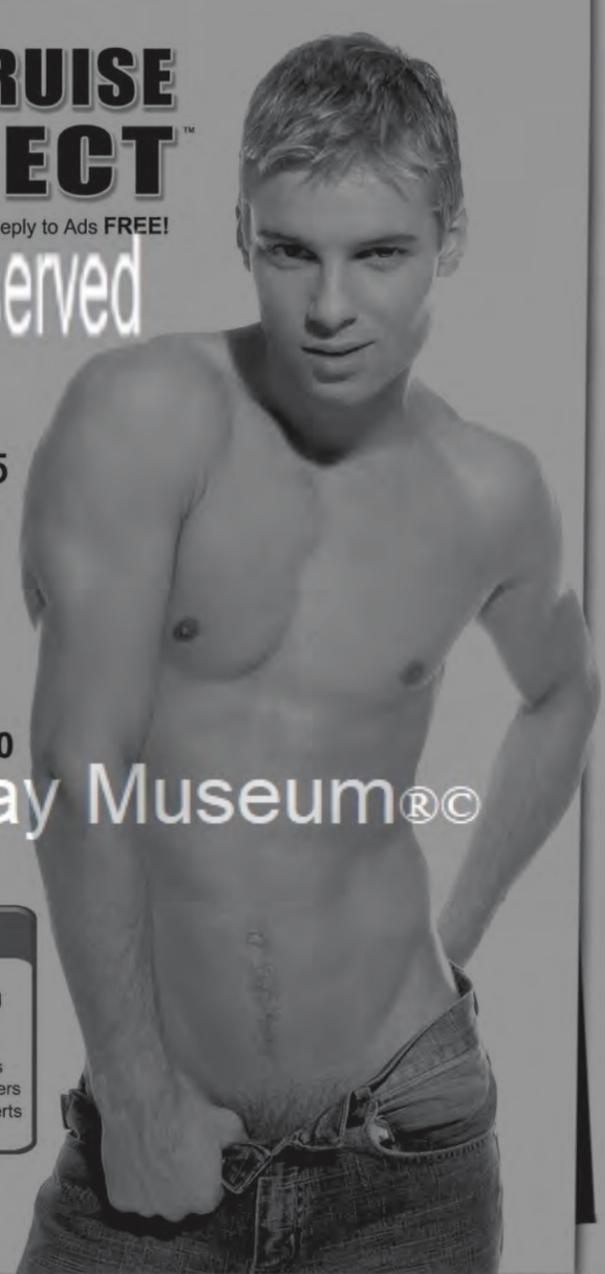
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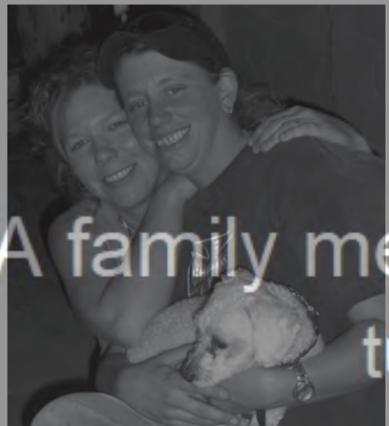
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Wednesday, May 14th
 Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00p.m. Hand and Foot with Marvin at 745-0304.

Thursday, May 15th
 #1Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00p.m. Triangle Tribe-A Men's Circle. According to a recent study, very few people have as many close friends as they would like. Are you as connected with other men as you want to be? Do you get the support you need for issues in your life? Do you wish you had more meaningful friendships and relationships with other men? Join like-minded men at Wingspan to share feelings, thoughts and ideas in a safe, respectful space. For the same experience with both straight and gay men, join us at the regular Circle of Men meetings. Call Tom at 591-2828 for dates and times.

#2 Men's Social Network. Mexican Dominoes. Open to men of all ages. 6:30pm. Call Jack at 887-3736 for directions Tucson Prime Timers invites you to our Weekly Sunday Brunch. This week at 11AM, Rio Café, 2526 E. Grant Rd. www.tucsonprimetimers.org

Tucson Prime Timers invites you to Bowling, 1:30PM at Golden Pin Lanes, 1010 W Miracle Mile www.tucsonprimetimers.org

Friday May 16th
 Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00p.m. MSN Pizza Night! Did you phone in your reservation on time? Then join Bruce for a great MSN Pizza Night! You need to call Bruce at 743-3890 by Thursday for reservations.

Tucson Prime Timers Invites you to our weekly Friday no-host Cocktail Mixer at 5:30PM Colors, 5350 East Speedway www.tucsonprimetimers.org

Saturday May 17th
 MSN#1 Saturday April 12th Coffee at the Crave Coffee Shop 4530 E Broadway at 1pm.

MSN#2 Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00p.m. Shuffle over for Floating Pinochle every Saturday of the month except for first Saturday MSN Monthly Pot Luck. Contact Steve at 664-2076.

Tucson Prime Timers-6PM Meet us for Drinks & Grub at Woody's Bar, 3710 N Oracle www.tucsonprimetimers.org

Sunday, May 18th
 Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 6:00p.m. Dinner Out at Jason's Deli. For reservations and directions, contact Thom 623-2941, e-mail thomsepals@hotmail.com. Please contact Thom by Sunday at Noon to facilitate reservations. Price is usually under \$10. Check the Yahoo MSN on-line calendar for the scheduled place. The venue is rotated to include all parts of town, and may occasionally be held at a full-service menu restaurant.

Tucson Prime Timers invites you to our Weekly Sunday Brunch. This week: at 11:30AM, Woody's Bar, 3710 N Oracle Road www.tucsonprimetimers.org

Monday, May 19th
 #1Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 6:30p.m. Meet Stephen and the group monthly for dinner and discussion of an agreed upon work of gay fiction. Currently, the group meets the 3rd Monday. Contact Stephen at 241-7854 to add yourself to their e-mail list.

#2Men's Social Network 7:00p.m. Newsletter Night & Movie! Help us bend, fold, spindle, mutilate, and mail the MSN Newsletter, and enjoy snacks and this month's movie. For more information contact Arlan at 323-7414.

Tucson Prime Timers welcomes you to our weekly Monday drop-in Luncheon at 12:30PM The Wildcat House, 1800 North Stone www.tucsonprimetimers.org

Wednesday, May 21st
 #1 Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00pm Hand & Foot with Jack 887-3736.

Thursday, May 22th
 #1Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00p.m. Triangle Tribe-A Men's Circle. According to a recent study, very few people have as many close friends as they would like. Are you as connected with other men as you want to be? Do you get the support you need for issues in your life? Do you wish you had more meaningful friendships and relationships with other men? Join like-minded men at Wingspan to share feelings, thoughts and ideas in a safe, respectful space. For the same experience with both straight and gay men, join us at the regular Circle of Men meetings. Call Tom at 591-2828 for dates and times

#2 Bridge generally played on the second and fourth Thursdays. Call Michael 326-3555.

Friday, May 23
 Tucson Prime Timers invites you to our weekly Friday no-host Cocktail Mixer at 5:30PM Colors, 5350 E Speedway www.tucsonprimetimers.org

Saturday, May 24th
 #1 Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00p.m. Shuffle over for Floating Pinochle every Saturday of the month except for first Saturday MSN Monthly Pot Luck. Contact Marvin at 745-0304.

#2 Men's Social Network. Coffee at the Crave Coffee Shop 4530 E Broadway at 1pm. Tucson Prime Timers 6PM Meet us for drinks & Grub at Woody's Bar, 3710 N Oracle Wwww.tucsonprimetimers.org

Sunday, May 25th
 Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 6:00p.m. Dinner Out at one of Tucson's Ultra-Fabulous Buffets. This Week its Sweet Tomatoes. For reservations and directions, contact Thom 623-2941, e-mail thomsepals@hotmail.com Please contact Thom by Sunday at Noon to facilitate reservations. Price is usually under \$10. Check the Yahoo MSN on-line calendar for the scheduled place. The venue is rotated to include all parts of town, and may occasionally be held at a full-service menu restaurant.

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Monday, May 26
 Tucson Prime Timers welcomes Visitors to our weekly drop-in Luncheon at 12:30PM The Wildcat House, 1800 North Stone See our website for club info: www.tucsonprimetimers.org

Wednesday, May 28th
 Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00pm Hand & Foot with Lee & Merlin 207-5336.

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G/L Chamber Of Commerce Goes Out For Business

MINNEAPOLIS, Minnesota (Observer Update) - Are you concerned about the threat of a recession? Will your business be agile enough to survive this challenging market? How can you increase the use of technology with a shrinking budget? Concerns like these are among the themes of the 2008 National Business and Leadership Conference: Out for Business! hosted by the National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC), reported gfn.com.

The annual event, this year in Minneapolis, MN, will bring the Gay and allied business community together for three days of business symposia, panel discussions, development seminars and networking events. "A major focus of this year's conference will be sharing tools for attendees to secure their businesses in the face of a challenging economy," says NGLCC Co-Founder and President Justin Nelson. "This is the perfect opportunity for attendees to join their colleagues and top corporate representatives from Fortune 500 and Fortune 1000 companies as they address strategies and best practices for completing the circle of corporate diversity, including the addition of LGBT supplier diversity."

"Small businesses are among the first to feel the financial stress of a slowing economy," observes NGLCC Co-Founder and CEO, Chance Mitchell. One of the group's Founding Corporate Partners, Intel, is helping to make the conference more affordable for small businesses by offering a scholarship for a discounted registration fee. "We are so proud of Intel's steadfast partnership with us by providing a

conference scholarship fund for the last four years."

Enforcing the theme of slowing economy, and how businesses can flex to survive, conference sessions will include: Cash Flow Solutions: Business Financing in a Challenging Market; LGBT Supplier Diversity 360; Image Matters: Media Training for LGBT Business Owners; Blogger Boot-Camp and completing the circle of Corporate Diversity. Special programming will include the Women's Business Roundtable and Networker - bringing together leading LBT woman business owners and professionals for another year of sharing best practices and networking at the Women's Business Initiative Special Event. This dynamic session is historically one of the most popular events of the conference.

In addition, the "Make the Connection" at the NGLCC 2008 Marketplace Expo will allow certified LGBT businesses and those considering certification as an LGBT business enterprise the opportunity to meet one-on-one with decision makers from corporations and government entities. As Corporate Partners and Members of the NGLCC, many of these companies and businesses have realized return on investment in the LGBT market. Register through gfn.com at www.nglcc.org/minneapolis2008 and receive the NGLCC Member rate. There you will also find links to sponsorship opportunities, a complete agenda, as well as information about the Twin Cities. National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC) to offer valuable business resources at the 2008 NGLCC National Business and Leadership Conference: Out for Business! Minneapolis, MN, June 5-7

Federal Judge Hears Gay Button Case

PANAMA CITY, Florida (Observer Update) - A Florida high school is "trampling the First Amendment rights of students who support equal rights for Gay people", a federal judge was told.

Heather Gillman, a 16-year-old junior at Ponce de Leon High School, is suing the school after she was told she could not wear buttons, stickers or clothing that supported LGBT civil rights. After she received the warning the ACLU last November sent a letter in November to the school board's attorney on behalf of Gillman, asking for clarification as to whether a variety of symbols and slogans, such as the rainbow flag or "I support my Gay friends," would be allowed at the school. The school district replied that it would not allow any expressions of support for Gay rights at all because such speech would "likely be disrupt-

ive."

The district then said that such symbols and slogans were signs that students were part of a "secret/illegal organization." according to the ACLU. Gillman and other students approached the ACLU last fall saying there was atmosphere at the school in which students said they were routinely intimidated by school officials for things such as writing "Gay pride" on their arms and notebooks or wearing rainbow-themed clothing. According to students, problems began in September when a Lesbian student tried to report to school officials that she was being harassed by other students because she is a Lesbian. Instead of addressing the harassment, students say the school responded with intimidation and censorship.

"Because the Supreme Court has held that students have a right to free speech at school unless that speech disrupts the educational process, many administrators think they can just slap the label 'disruptive' on anything they don't like and get away with stomping on students' First Amendment rights," said Benjamin James Stevenson, a staff attorney for the ACLU of Florida, when the lawsuit was first filed. The ACLU wants an injunction to stop Ponce de Leon High School officials "from suppressing students' First Amendment rights in the future."

Ponce de Leon is located halfway between Pensacola and Tallahassee, in Florida's panhandle. According to the school's website, about 400 students are enrolled there. The case is being heard at the US Courthouse in Panama City.

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WINGSPAN - Tucson's Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Community Center, 425 E. 7th St., offers support groups / info line / social events / library / meeting space. Volunteer Opportunities. Board meetings every 2nd Thursday (open to all), 6:00 p.m. Information 624-1779.

GREATER PHOENIX GAY & LESBIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (GPGGCC) P.O. BOX 2097, Phoenix, AZ 85001-2097. E-mail: webmaster@gpggcc.org or call (602)225-8444.

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3910 of visit our website at www.botop.com All are welcome to our general meetings/potlucks on the 2nd Friday of every month, at 3202 E. 1st St. (the "Ward 6" Office Bldg.) Just south of Speedway & East of Country Club. PotLuck Dinner begins at 6:30 and the monthly meeting follows at 7:15 p.m.

LESBIAN AND GAY AL-ANON - Affected by someone's drinking? Meeting every Tuesday 8:45 to 9:45 p.m. at Lambda Center, 2940 E. Thomas, Phoenix. Ellie 581-8850 or Ronn 968-2384.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP - Outreach to Gay and Lesbian people in Arizona. Meets monthly. Write to P.O. Box 893, Phoenix, AZ 85001 or call Eddy Walters, (602)371-1102

T-SQUARES Lesbian and Gay Square Dance Club, dances Tuesdays. from 6:30-9 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Geronimo (Northwest of 1st Ave. and Glenn). No experience, no partner required! For more info contact David at 325-6739, or visit www.azgaydance.org

LIGHTNING LIGHTING will provide lighting for AIDS and related benefits at no charge. For more info call Adrienne at 889-7298.

COME EXPLORE YOUR SPIRITUALITY! St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church offers a variety of Gay and Lesbian groups and services for the spiritually minded. Come meet the Family! For more information call Debbie 579-9827 or David 323-7943.

LESBIAN/GAY WRITERS: Workshop at 7:00 p.m. third Wednesday of every month. Read and critique current projects. Network and support. For info call 325-4737.

DESERT VOICES, Tucson's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Straight Chorus, has been singing songs of pride, hope and laughter for 19 seasons. Check out our website at www.desertvoices.org, or call (520)791-9662 for information about upcoming concerts or how to join.

Join the **LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT**. In Tucson write Awareness Project, 3661 N. Campbell Ave. #365, Tucson, AZ 85719.

AA Meeting with HIV/AIDS focus, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., Wingspan Annex, 425 E. 7th Street. All alcoholics welcome.

MEN'S SOCIAL NETWORK: Social organization for men of all ages. Building an extended Gay family in Tucson. Monthly social potluck gatherings the first Saturday of each month and almost weekly social activities. Call 207-5336 for information and a newsletter. Check the Non-Bar Calendar in the Observer.

CARE TEAMS ARE AVAILABLE to offer support to people living with HIV/AIDS. The Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network (TIHAN) offers trained, compassionate and committed volunteers to provide services including friendly visits, light housekeeping, assistance with meals, shopping, errands, transportation and companionship for medical appointments, and respite care for primary care givers. No judgement or proselytizing - we are here to be of service. For information call Scott at 299-6647.

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT SPORTS TEAMS and updates on Gay Games, contract TEAM ARIZONA at their website: teamarizona.org

ARE YOU GAY OR BISEXUAL AND UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE? The Gay Young Men's Project is now looking for volunteers for the project. We need people who want to help create a positive social change for young Gay men as well as reduce the risk for HIV infection. For more information please call 628-7223.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GLBT, Tucson's Gay and Lesbian business networking group holds regular meetings the third Thursday of every month. Call 615-6436 for more info. www.tucsonglbtchamber.org

TUCSON PRIDE, INC. (Formerly Tucson Lesbian and Gay Alliance - TLGA) meets on the second Wednesday at 845 S. Craycroft Road at 6pm. Tucson Pride events: Pride Week, Gay West and OUToberFEST. For more information call 622-3200 or visit the TPI website at www.tucsonpride.com

LEARN TO BE A LISTENING FRIEND Unique Hospital Volunteer Program teaches listening skills to Volunteers who provide a safe/compassionate environment to at-risk patients. Training every 6 weeks. 694-7063.

ANONYMOUS HIV COUNSELING AND TESTING is available through the Pima County Health Department at sites throughout Tucson, Very Gay Friendly. For more information or to make an appointment call 791-7676.

SMART (Self Management And Recovery Training) a free non-12-step self-help alternative for people working to overcome addictive and other emotional problems meets in Tucson Monday thru Thursdays at different locations. For more information about SMART, contact Jennifer at 838-3975.

THIS WAY OUT, 1/2 hour national GLBT show. 4:30 p.m. on Sundays only on 91.3 FM, Community Radio KXCI.

THEATER / DINNER / MOVIES / ETC! Nonsmoking Lesbian Network meets every month. If you'd like to meet women 50+ (flexible) and socialize in a smoke-free environment, please call or email: 888-8010 'til 9pm, or joycesmth1@aol.com. The group dines OUT! and attends shows, movies, comedy events, etc. Now in our 23rd year, 7th in Tucson.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA GENDER ALLIANCE (SAGA). The Southwest's largest transgender and gender-diversity advocacy organization. Speakers and panelists available. General meetings monthly on the 1st Mondays at 7pm; Dezerz Girlz (MTF Support) meets 2nd Mondays at 7pm; Dezerz Boyz (FTM Support) meets 3rd Tuesdays at 7pm. Also serving partners, youth, intersex, service providers and allies. Call (520)624-1779 x26 for more info.

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT GROUP FOR ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLES. Not a dating club. Discreet. Meetings every Monday evening. Call for more info. APEX (Arizona Power Exchange) 602-415-1123. 24-hr multi-choice message including information, calendar and location.

ARIZONA AIDS POLICY ALLIANCE (AZAPA) seeks to educate legislators and citizens about sound AIDS policy. For more information write AZAPA, 6523 N. 14th St., #112, Phoenix, AZ 85014 or call 602-279-4805.

DESERT DOMINION, whose focus is providing information and education for people interested in the BDSM lifestyle, meets monthly for group discussion and social events. Visit our web site <http://www.desertdominion.org> or call (520)792-6424

SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS. Starting this February, the Tucson Rape crisis Center will be providing free confidential group services for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender survivors of all manner of sexual assault. Interested persons please call Mirto Stone, MSW, at 327-1171 (if unavailable leave message with phone number.

AAPSP - ARIZONA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY PROFESSIONALS: a confidential organization committed to providing support and networking for all Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual public safety professionals in Arizona. Membership open to Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, Probation, Parole and Corrections Officers and civilians working within these agencies. Website: AAPSP.org or e-mail: AAPSP@aol.com or call Dave (520)745-9059 (Tucson) or Kim (602)534-6219 (Phoenix)

GLSEN - Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network meets first Thursday of every month at 4:30pm at Wingspan, 425 E. 7th Street. 743-4800.

SAA (Sex Addicts Anonymous) has 5 meetings a week in Tucson. People who wish to stop their compulsive sexual behavior, please call (520) 745-0775 for current information.

TUCSON GREATER SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION. Interested? Call Kelly Quinn, (520)906-0669 and or Mona Garcia 256-8728.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED - Tucson chapter for Gay/Lesbian Lutherans meets 3rd Sunday, 6:30 p.m. each month at Santa Cruz Lutheran Church, 6809 S. Cardinal Ave. For information visit www.lctucson.org write: LC, 7014 E. Golf Links Road, PMB 212, Tucson, AZ 85730.

REVEILLE MEN'S CHORUS rehearses Thursday evenings 7-10pm at the Historic Y, corner of University Blvd. And 5th Ave. Join us!! Call 304-1758 for more info.

LGBT Buddhist Meditation Group. Join us for two 20 minute silent sitting meditations, and reading from Buddhist Spiritual text and discussion. Bring a friend and a pillow or cushion. Takes place every Sunday from 10-11:30AM at 3 Jewels, 314 E. 6th St. Donations accepted. Contact Maurice Grossman for more info. 323-2293.

LGBT SUPPORT GROUP FOR VICTIM/SURVIVORS OF Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Hate Crimes, Bias Acts, Harassment. Call Lori at Wingspan, 624-1779, ext. 20. Services are free.

MEN'S HIKING CLUB - A peer-run MEN's outdoor club for hiking, biking, camping, boating etc, is now up and running in the Tucson area. To join, go to SAGE-Tucson-subscribe@yahoo.com. See you on the trails.

MEN'S KINK DISCUSSION GROUP (Open to all who identify as male and are 18 or older) meets 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. at Desert Dominion, 3843 E. 37th Street, Tucson, AZ. (Map available at www.desertdominion.org) For those who are kinky or just curious. No fee, contributions are appreciated, but not required.

THE BROTHERS OF THE COMPASSIONATE WAY. Pagan spiritual group for gay, bisexual, transgendered men. Box 41623, Tucson, AZ 85717.

NA MEETING WITH GLBT FOCUS meets Mondays, 6:30pm at Wingspan, 425 E. 7th Street. This is an open meeting of Narcotics Anonymous - all are welcome. For more info call Bernie W.: 406-0740



DAILY BAR CALENDAR

SUNDAY

THE BIZ - Open 5pm-2am; L Word Sundays. L Word shows at 7pm on two 51" flatscreens. Beer Bust 5pm-10pm. DJ HILL following til 2am.

COLORS - Open 10am - 10pm Champagne Brunch 10am - 2pm with choice of complimentary mimosa, Bloody Mary or Screwdriver included. Happy Hour 4-7pm \$3.50 Skyy Cocktails, \$2.75 Domestic and well. Appetizers 1/2 price 4-6. Brunch served until 2pm. Full menu served until 10pm. Nightly dinner specials.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open 11am. Beer Bust Sunday - \$1 draft beers (12 oz), domestic only; \$2 domestic long necks. Texas Hold-Em Poker at 3 & 6. No cash involved - Play for Points & Prizes. SIN Nite - drink discounts for Service Industry employees

IBT's -Troy's Recovery Bar noon-4pm. 4-7:30 Karaoke on the patio. Benefit B-B-Q for the Pride Parade 5:30-7:30 and dance with DJ Mike Lopez 9pm to close.

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open 3pm. \$2.00 Bloody Marys or Screws til 3pm Patio Beer Bust 3-7. Burger BBQ 5-7. Selection of burger meats to choose from. \$3 proceeds go to Pet Watch (helping HIV/AIDS clients with their veterinary bills).

WOODY'S - Open 11am-2am. Peter's Build Your Own Bloody Mary Bar 11am-2pm. Happy Hour 11am-8pm (excluding special events). Full Menu Kitchen open 11am-8pm. Back Pocket Patio Bar 2pm-2am. Beer Bust 2pm-7pm. Karaoke with Michael D 9pm-Close. Drag Bingo every other Sunday 8-9pm. Check our Ad for Special Events or Parties

YARD DOG - Open 10am - 2am. Mimosas & Bloody Mary Bar (Build your own)

MONDAY

THE BIZ - Open 5pm-2am. Poker Pub...FREE. No Happy Hour on this day. Games at 6:30 and again at 9:00pm. 21 and up.

COLORS - Open 4-10pm. Happy Hour 4-7. \$3.50 Skyy Cocktails, \$2.75 well & domestics. Appetizers 1/2 price 4-6m. Full menu served until 10pm.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 p.m. \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints. \$3.50 sm. Pitcher/\$5.50 lg. Bucket o" Beer - \$10.00 Domestic, \$12.00 Imports (5 beers to a bucket, for 2 or more people, Guinness excluded). Texas Hold-Em Poker at 6 & 8:30 p.m. No cash involved - Play for points & Prizes

IBT's -Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, DJ Craig Carter 10pm-2am \$1.50 well vodka drinks, All drink specials not available during special events.

VENTURE-N - Open 9am. Patio 6pm. Free pool til 4pm. \$2.75 Skyy Martinis 4-8pm..

WOODY'S - Open 11am-2am. Happy Hour 11am-8pm (excl spec events) Full Menu Kitchen open 11am-10pm Back Pocket Patio Bar 8pm-close. Karaoke with Michael D. 9pm-close.

YARD DOG - Open 11am. Beer Bust 3-7pm.

TUESDAY

THE BIZ - Open 5pm-2am. No Happy Hour on this day. Spin Tuesdays with Karaoke. Spin the drink wheel every hour for incredible drink prices...nothing over \$2!! Karaoke at 8pm. 21 and up.

COLORS - Open 4-10pm. Happy Hour 4-7 \$3.50 Skyy cocktails, \$2.75 Domestic and well and 1/2 price appetizers 4-6. Full menu served until 10pm.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8. \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints. Pitcher Special \$3.50 sm. Pitcher/\$5.00 lg. Pitcher (excluding Blue Moon & Alaskan Amber). Ladies Only Texas Hold-Em Poker at 6:00 p.m.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, Tropical Tuesdays \$2.50 Tropical drinks and DJ Craig Carter playing Retro Music 70's, 80's and 90's 9pm-close.

VENTURE-N - Open 9am. Patio 7pm. Free Pool til 4pm. Spaghetti Nite (2nd Tuesday every month \$2.00).

WOODY'S - Open 11am- 2am. Happy Hour 11am-8pm (excl spec events). Full Menu Kitchen open 11am-10pm. Back Pocket Patio Bar open 8pm-close, Caribbean Party Night with Woody's own Specialty Mojitos, Caprioskas and Martinis with Tucson's Hottest Bartenders.

YARD DOG - Open 11am-2am. Beer Bust 3-7pm.

WEDNESDAY

THE BIZ - Open 5pm-2am. 1/2 Price Happy Hour til 8pm. Wild Wednesdays. DJHill Spins til 2am. This is an 18 and over event..

COLORS - Open 4-10pm. Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$3.50 Skyy cocktails, \$2.75 Domestic and 1/2 price appetizers 4-6. Full menu served until 10pm. Nightly dinner specials.

HOWL AT THE MOON -Open 3pm. Happy Hour All Day \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints, \$3.50 sm. Pitcher/\$5.50 lg. Pitchers. Texas Hold-Em Poker at 6 & 8:30 pm Play for points & Prizes. No cash involved.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, "Divalicious" show 9pm w/ Bunny Fu Fu & Friends. After show dance with DJ Q til 2am,

VENTURE-N - Open 9am. Patio 7pm. Free Pool til 4pm. \$2.75 Cuervo Margaritas 4-8pm

WOODY'S - Open 11am-2am;. Happy Hour 11am-8pm excl. special events). Ful Kitchen open 11am-10pm. Back Pocket Bar open 8pm-close. Service Industry Employee Special All Day Long - \$1 off all drinks except schnapps and draft. Different Themed Underwear Party 9pm-close with \$1.00 off for those who participate (excl.

Schnapps and Draft). Retro 80s & 90s Dance with DJ Clint 9 til close..

YARD DOG - Open 11am-2am. Beer Bust 3-7pm.

THURSDAY

THE BIZ - Open 5pm-2am. 1/2 Price Happy Hour til 8pm. 20/20 Thursday's a night guaranteed to F*UCK,, with your vision!! \$20 at the door we take care of the rest (premium top shelf not included). DJHill spins hip hop & R&B all night. 21'n up

COLORS - Open 4pm-10pm. Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$3.50 Skyy cocktails, \$2.75 Domestic and Well and 1/2 price appetizers. Full menu served until 10. Nightly dinner specials..

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints, \$3.50 sm. Pitcher/\$5.50 lg. Pitcher. Bicardi Thursdays - \$2.50 Bicardi Rum - all flavors.

IBT's -Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, Boyz Nite Out with your Bartenders & GoGo Boys dancing in their undies and DJ Mike Lopez spinning Top 40 & All request \$1.75 Long Islands and \$1.50 Tequila shots 10pm-2am.

VENTURE-N - Open 9am. Patio open 7pm. Free Pool til 4pm. Pool Tourney 7pm. \$3 entry. Special prices for players. Steak Nite (3rd Thursday during summer). Bring your own or get it here \$6.00.

WOODY'S - Open 11am-2am; Happy Hour 11am-8pm (excl Spec Events); Full Menu Kitchen open 11am-10pm. Back Pocket Patio Bar open 8pm-close. Cheap Party Day **FREE POOL**, \$1.00 PBR Longnecks, \$2.00 Tecate Longnecks. Techno and Top 40 Dance with DJ Jeff 9pm - close..

YARD DOG - Open 11am-2am. Beer Bust 3-7pm..

FRIDAY

THE BIZ - Open 5pm-2am. NOCHE de CALOR. 1/2 price Happy Hour til 8pm. Every Friday DJ Hill spins the best norteno, Cumbias, Salsa, Bachata Reggaeton, Rock en Espanol and anything else that makes you shake your hips!!

COLORS - Open 4pm-midnight. Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$3.50 Skyy cocktails, \$2.75 Domestic and Well and 1/2 price appetizers. Finlandia martinis \$5.50 open to close! Full menu served until 10. "Hot Jazz, Cool Martinis" with Susan Artemis & Craig Faltin 6:30 to 9:30. "Guys & Dolls" drag show hosted by Lucinda Holliday at 10pm. Nightly dinner specials. Drink specials during the drag show.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints. \$3.50 Sm. Pitcher/\$5.50 lg. Pitcher. \$2.25 All Mexican Beers. Free Dance Lessons at 7:30 p.m. Country Dancing 8:30 p.m. to close with DJ Pat.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, 9pm Hot Dance with DJ Mike Lopez outside on the patio and DJ Raynman spinning club music inside. 9pm-2am.

VENTURE-N - Open 9am. Patio open 7pm. Free Pool til 4pm.

WOODY'S - Open 11am-2am; Happy Hour 11am-8pm (excl spec events). Full Menu Kitchen open 11am-11pm Back Pocket Patio Bar open 5pm-close. Enjoy the Live Blues/Motown/Soul sounds of Simon Crown 6-9 p.m.; Request your favorite Music Dance Night with DJ Clint 9pm-close. Monthly Birthday Party every 2nd Friday Night of the month.

YARD DOG - Open 11am-2am. Beer Bust 3-7pm. Patio Bar Opens 8pm

SATURDAY

THE BIZ - Open 5pm - 2am. \$2.00 U-Call-Its til 11pm. Saturday night dance party with DJ Hill 9pm. Patio Bar opens at 10:30pm.

COLORS - Open 4pm-10pm, Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$3.50 Skyy cocktails, \$2.75 Domestic and Well, 1/2 price appetizers 4-6. Pianist/Vocalist Marilyn Harris 6:30-9:30. Full menu served until 10. Nightly dinner specials.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 2pm. Happy Hour 2-8pm, \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints. \$3.50 sm. Pitcher/\$5.50 lg. Plus check out the bartenders choice of shot specials. \$5.00 cheeseburger & fries. \$3.00 Cuervo and \$4.75 Jager Bombs. Check our calendar for the Saturday Night Special Entertainment.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, 5-8pm karaoke & Teryaki Kabobs on the patio. 8:30pm Show time w/ Bunny FuFu or Janee Star. DJ Q spinning Club Music inside & Mike Lopez spinning on the patio 10pm to close.

VENTURE-N - Open 9am. Patio Bar open 3pm. Patio Beer Bust 3-7pm.

WOODY'S - Open 11am-2am; Happy Hour 10am-8pm (excl spec events); Full Menu Kitchen open 11am-11pm. Back Pocket Patio Bar open 5pm-close. Techno and Top 40 Dance with DJ Jeff 9pm til close. Check our ad for Twice-A-Month Special Events or Themed Parties.

YARD DOG - Open 8am-2am. Patio Bar Opens 8pm.

BAR CALENDAR Of Upcoming Events

FRIDAY, MAY 16

HOWL AT THE MOON - Couples Dance Lessons with Amanda 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 17

HOWL AT THE MOON - Still Rock 'n Roll to me and the BB Cane Band! Show starts at 9:00 pm.

VENTURE-N - Monthly Leather Nite. Drink specials for men in leather.

WOODY'S - Graduation Party 8:00 P.M. TO CLOSING. Bring your invite or diploma.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21

WOODY'S - 90S Party. \$5.00Cover - All Well Drinks 90 cents from 8:00 p..m. until closing. DJ Clint plays 90s hits from 9:00 until 2:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 23

Line Dance Lessons with Libby. 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 24

HOWL AT THE MOON - DJ Libby plays a mix of oldies, disco, country, pop, rock/dance and your requests.

MONDAY, MAY 26

IBT'S - A Memorial event is in the works. Monday Morning Madness (MMM) is back!!! Watch for more details. The bar will open at 10:00 a.m. with a breakfast Buffet and Showtime at 11:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 30

HOWL AT THE MOON - Couples Dance Lessons from Amanda 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 31 - Adrienne Alexander's Farewell to Tucson Show. Show her the love. Special guests for a really big show. 9:00 p.m.

BUZZ BRIEFS

With its television revenue down \$2.8 million already this year, Playboy Enterprises plans to offer 20 hours of softcore Gay male programming to Time Warner Cable subscribers, XBIZ.com reports. The new service is expected to begin next month. According to the memo obtained by the adult business news site, Playboy will offer "professionally produced adult programs selected by Playboy, targeted to the male Gay community, edited to a standard no more explicit" than softcore pornography.

She's back - not in her native Scotland, of course, but very definitely in the pink. Sheena Easton is launching a bold bid to reinvent herself as a Gay icon. The Scottish singer has sold more than 20 million records around the world in a career which has spanned three decades - but recently the hits have dried up and she is without a major record deal. Now the Grammy-winning 48-year-old is making a comeback and is counting on the power of the pink dollar to catapult her back to the big time. This summer Easton will top the entertainment bill on a prestigious Gay-friendly cruise around the coast of North America. The '9 to 5' chart-topper is also headlining Gay Pride events across the US - including a carnival at Palm Beach which is expected to attract a crowd of more than 100,000.

On a five-hour flight from Washington to Oregon, Barack Obama came to the back of his charter plane for a spirited word game against reporters, and it was clear he did not intend to lose. In "Taboo," a player under time constraints must prompt teammates to guess words or names without using obvious hints. For instance, in giving clues for "equator," the player is penalized if he says "Earth," "center" or "line." Love, a former football and basketball player at Duke University, took a turn at giving clues, asking for a mall store "where Gays go to buy clothes." "Abercrombie and Fitch," answered Obama. Wrong. "The Gap," teammate Samantha Tubman correctly answered.

It was a case of recycling rather than reinvention for Madonna last night as she pulled out her tried and tested move - a Lesbian kiss - during her show in Paris last night. The singer, who is rapidly approaching 50, locked lips with one of her female backing dancers during a private concert in the French capital, just like she did with Britney Spears at the MTV Awards more than five years ago. She told the 1,500-strong crowd at the Olympia: "Why do I have this relationship with France? 'I'm always drawn to working with French people - and frenching French people. Vive la France!' It is the latest attention grabbing tactic in less than a week by Madonna, who is apparently rather eager to keep her crown as the Queen of Pop in the youth-obsessed music world.

It will be Whoopi and Tony. Whoopi Goldberg will serve as host of the 2008 Tony Awards June 15

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